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TOPIC Wiener Neustadt Airfield

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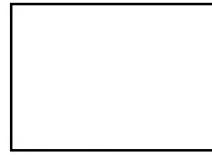
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- Between 2 and 5 p.m. on 16 November, aircraft observed at Wiener Neustadt (O 48/X 34) airfield included 24 MiG-15s, parked between the bus stop at Woellersdorfer Strasse and the flight administration building, 10 MiG-15s parked at the pyrotechnical institute, 7 MiG-15s parked at the runway at Badener Strasse, and 11 twin-engine jet aircraft parked elsewhere.¹ At 10 and 10:30 a.m. respectively, a MiG-15 took off. There was clear weather, a cloudless sky, and a southwind at 5 km/h. No flying was practiced between 2 and 5 p.m. Guards and soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed in the cantonment west of Wiener Neustadt. Six trucks were parked in a shed, guns could not be determined. The former emplacement of the radar set south of the road to Bad Fischau was vacant.² The soldiers and the guards at the former Kadettenschule in Bad Fischau wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Thirty-four motor vehicles were parked in two lines in an open shed in the area of Kadettenschule. Guards and other soldiers observed at the pyrotechnical institute wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Six to 8 jeeps and trucks were observed near the villas. A wooden garage for about 10 motor vehicles was east of the villas. Five sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were posted at this garage, the pyrotechnical institute and the villas.
- On 17 November, during a 2/10 forecast and good visibility, flying was practiced by MiG-15s according to local residents. Between 4:15 and 5:30 p.m., there was individual flying by 6 MiG-15s which had been parked at the air strip at Badener Strasse. The aircraft taxied to the runway, turned to the south, and took off immediately. Each plane made local flights for about five minutes at intervals of seven to 10 minutes. The seven searchlights on poles, about 2.5 meters high, located west of Badener Strasse, lit up when the aircraft coming in for landing were in line with Theresienfeld, and were switched off as soon as the aircraft had touched the ground. The red light at the southern edge of the field were lighted when flying was practiced. An antenna mast, about 6 meters high, with three cone shaped bracings the middle one of which had insulators, was seen about 100 meters north of the white searchlights. A line was leading from the top of the mast to one of three tents in the vicinity.³

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Three wooden cabins and a boxcar size crate were seen 120 m south of the white searchlights.⁴ No movements could be determined at this place. The observation of flying activity from Badener Strasse has become difficult because of the guards near the AA gun emplacements.

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1. Comment. The 41 MiG-15s observed corresponds for the first time to the number of aircraft assigned to the two fighter regiments previously stationed at Wiener Neustadt airfield. This indicates that two regiments are again stationed at the field.

- 25X1A 2. Comment. A temporary removing of radar sets was also observed in West Germany. The sets are probably to be overhauled at certain intervals. The location of the radar set at this field has been vacant, at least, since 6 November 1952. It cannot be determined whether the set was to be overhauled or was moved to another place.

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- 25X1A 3. Comment. Probably the inner landing beacon.
4. Comment. Probably a MiG-15 crate.

- 25X1A 5. Comment. The present report supports the assumption that the training status of the two fighter regiments is very low. It is believed that formation flying on a regimental basis will not be practiced before April 1953.

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